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EARTHQUAKE KILLS 1,000 THE WASHINGTONIAN U.S. PLANS QUICK RELIEF

Guatemala City in Ruins and PROMISES RELIEF Many Thousands of Residents Homeless.

MOST PUBLIC BUILDINGS

American Legation and Consular Buildings Destroyed-Martial Law Declared, Looters Shot.

By the Associated Press. NEW YORK, December 31.-An estimate of 1,000 persons dead in the earthquake ruins at Guatemala City is contained in a telegram received here from the Central and South American Telegraph Company's manager at San Jose, Guatemala, who returned to San Jose from Guatemala City yesterday afternoon. The message reads:

"The legation and American consulates are badly wrecked. Forty per cent of the houses in the city are demolished; most of the others have collapsed and are uninhabitable. The penitentiary, asylum and ministerial buildings are all wrecked. The post office and large churches are demolished.

"Martial law has been declared and several looters have been shot. The president of Guatemala has ordered the inhabitants of the city to leave. Terrific earthquake shocks continue at intervals of about five minutes. The death toll is estimated at one thousand. All telegraph wires in the interior are again

Details of the Disaster.

SAN SALVADOR, December 31 .- Guatemala City, capital of the republic of Guatemala, has been completely destroyed by an earthquake. Many persons were killed in the disaster, some in their homes and others in the streets.

The Colon Theater, which was filled with people, collapsed. There were many casualties among the audience. Various hospitals and asylums and the

prisons were badly damaged and many patients and prisoners were killed. The railroad depot, sugar mills, posi-

tions. United States consults and all the churches in the city have been

from the capital. More than 80,000 persons are homeless. The stock of provi-

pended the official New Year celebration and entered into mourning in sympathy

with Guatemala. Scene of Many Disasters.

Earthquakes have been prevalent in Guatemals since the day after Christmas, when shocks were general throughout the republic. With each recurrent shock the damage in Guatemals City, the capital of the republic, has grown more extensive. Last Thursday it was reported that from ten to forty persons had been killed in the disturbances of the previous night. day it was reported that from ten to forty persons had been killed in the disturbances of the previous night, while dispatches of Friday and Satur-day indicated that 80 per cent of Guatamala City had been demolished and that thousands of persons were homeless. Martial law had been de-clared and good order was said to be

Guatemals has been the scene of many disasters, the results of earth-quakes. Since the settlement of the country in 1522 there have been more

Measures for Giving Relief to Stricken Guatemala City

Still without detailed information of the City, costing many lives and leaving cials today prepared to send aid to the are reaching this city from one to ten stricken sister republic. Further reports hours late. Trains from the north, it were awaited from American minister Leavell and Consul Fee.

dez, was informed of the catastrohpe by the State Department and although he has sent cablegrams of inquiry he has received

seismological observatory instruments i dicate the first shocks were felt on Christs night shortly after midnight. A sec-series of shocks came about 9 a.m. December 26. Further shocks were orded on Friday, December 28, at 4:22 but the heaviest shocks came at

FROM COLD WAVE

AND DWELLINGS WRECKED Forecaster Says Washington Will Be "Warmer" Tomorrow-Near Zero Today.

WINTER'S NEW RECORDS

Washington Temperature.

From a minimum temperature, registered at 5:30 o'clock yesterday morning, of 3 degrees below zero, the mercury crept up during the day to a maximum of 9 degrees above at 4:30 p.m. yester-

The minimum in the last twenty-four hours was registered at 4:30 o'clock this morning, when the thermometers at the weather bureau showed 1.6 degrees above zero, a rise of 4.6 degrees from the preceding day's minimum. minimum.
Other official readings from noon yesterday to noon today

were:
Two p.m. Sunday, 7 above; 4
p.m., 8; 8 p.m., 5; 10 p.m., 4; 12
p.m., 3; 2 a.m. today, 2; 4 a.m., 2;
6 a.m., 3; 8 a.m., 4; 9 a.m., 5; 10
a.m., 6; 11 a.m., 8; 12m., 10.

Relief from the cold wave that for the ast few days has gripped Washington and the entire east from the New England states to Florida is promised by the weather bureau for tomorrow. Temperaures are due to rise somewhat tonight, according to the local forecast, and toorrow is expected to show further rise, though a snowstorm is likely to accomany the warmer weather.

were recorded yesterday and last night in this city and vicinity. At no time yesterday did the mercury rise higher than 8 degrees above zero, official, while recording thermometers in the weather bureau klosks, working on charts made to indicate only 5 degrees below zero, ceased to

sero name At 4:20 o'clock this marning today's lowest. It degrees above zero, was registered.

10c. eight inches thick, covered parts of the Potomac river yesterday afternoon, and this thickness was considered ably increased last night and today. The river is reported to be covered with the form a point above Georgetown to Glymont, channels for the river boats being kept open only by means of the hardest work on the part of the boats and tugs. For the first time in years skaters were out on the river itself yesterday afternoon. Few skaters were out yesterday, however, the low temporature and icy cold wind being too much for any but the hardest and most venturesome. The tidal basin and the pond at the Zoo are both frozen over, the ice being several inches thick.

Record Low Temperatures.

Reports of record low temperatures were received today from points as widely separated as Glens Falls, N. Y., with temperatures of 36 to 46 degrees. sions in the city is scant and aid is re-The Salvadorean government has sus-ended the official New Year celebration and entered into mourning in sympathy with Guatemala.

Reports of record low temperatures were received today from points as widely separated as Glens Falls, N. Y. with temperatures of 36 to 40 degrees below zero, and St. Augustine, Fla., where half an inch of snow fell yester-

day.

The official low temperature reported for yesterday was at Northfield, Vt., where the mercury showed 26 degrees below zero. Official temperature at Boston was 14 degrees below, while New York reported 13 degrees below last night. Both broke all December records of the local wasther bursaus.

One to Ten Hours Late. Due to Cold Weather

Train service into Washington from points south, southwest and west badly disorganized because of the extreme cold weather. At the Union station today it was stated that trains

from one to three hours late, and even more in some cases.

Trains from the west and southwest are badly delayed. One train from the southwest arrived last night nine hours late. Trains from the west, hampered by the extreme cold and the snow in the mountains, are arriving from two to five or six hours behind time.

1,000 persons from tune june.

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2,700,000 next year and there was no other way to do it.

The city's financial troubles are of ancient standing. Chicago does business under an antiquated charter, long

Heavy Movement of Coal.

p.m., but the heaviest shocks came at 5.57 p.m. Saturday, December 29. It appears that this last disturbance was the one which caused the most damage.

Report to Navy Department.

A cablegram to the Navy Department, A cablegram to the Navy Department yesterday said 125,000 people were in the streets without shelter, and that a number were killed by falling walls.

Naval vessels in Central American waters have been ordered to Guatemata Passenger trains from New York and Passenger trains from New York and Passenger trains from New York and

Naval vessels in Central American waters have been ordered to Guatemala to render all possible assistance.

Passenger trains from New York and points north arrived during last night and today not more than half an hour brought the news of the catastrophe:

"Bad earthquake yesterday, finished"

(Continued on Second Page.)

AMERICANIZATION CATECHISM.

THEODORE W. NOYES

an American right and privilege do you

This distinctive American privilege decorates the American with a badge of honor and arms him with power. Its lack slurs the Washingtonian as unfit

ideasters, the results of the intry in 1522 there have been more in fifty volcanic cruptions, and in cass of 390 cartinquakes. The original internal City was destroyed in 1541, id 8,000 of the inhabitants were killed by a cleuse of water from a nearby olcano, which was rent by an earth-quake. The second capital was destroyed by an earth-quake in 1773. The introved by an earth-quake in 1775. The introved in the introved by an earth-quake in 1775. The introved in the introved by an earth-quake in 1775. The introved in the introved by an earth-quake in 1775. The introved in the introved by an earth-quake in 1775. The introved in the introved by an earth-quake in 1775. The introved in the power in the this representation, though the District should grow to a million in popula-tion and as a national taxpayer surpass

DISCHARGES CITY EMPLOYES.

Chicago Council Must Cut Down Ex-

was stated, are experiencing no great difficulties and are maintaining close to their regular schedules.

On the lines entering the city from the south, it was stated, all trains are from one to three hours late, and even more in some cases.

CHICAGO, December of CHICAGO, December of the severance of city council, namely, the severance of 1,000 persons from their jobs, was taken up by the aldermen today. The munity must retrench to the extent of reality must retrench to the extent of reality must retrench to the extent of the city council, namely, the severance of the severance of the city council, namely, the city council, namely, the city council, namely, the city council, namely, the city council, nam

ness under an antiquated charter, long outgrown, but repeated efforts to get a new one from the legislature have failed.

\$50,000 to Aid Boys' Education. NASHVILLE, Tenn., December 31 .- A

"The will of Robert L. Johnston, pro bated here, leaves property estimated he managed by the Southern Methodist Church, to the end of assisting boys to



TO ASK RELIEF FROM FREIGHT CONGESTION

District Commissioners to Place Local Situation Before Mr. McAdoo.

ssion today decided to ask Director General of Railroads McAdoo to take

tion and that an administrator should be given authority to compel removal of goods from the yards within a certain time. After the stated period, the report recommended, the administrator should be empowered to move it at the risk and cost of the consignee. The committee reported that such an administrator could also eliminated delay by assisting consignees in locating their cars of goods both in the yards and at the platforms. It is probable that the Commissioners will acquaint Mr.

The committee also pointed out that the government should take special in-terest in relieving the freight situa-tion here, as so many shipments for the federal departments and the quartermas-ters of the Army arrive here continually.

France to Confer on Reply to Austro-German Terms.

ind reasoned reply.

to visit France, according to the news-

entente alies opportunity to state whether they would join in them. The principal point in the Austro-German toutline of peace terms was the acceptance of the Russian formula of no annexations or indemnities.

GOREMYKIN IS MURDERED. Slain With Wife and Brother-in-

Law on His Russian Estate. PETROGRAD. December 29 .- The urder of former Premier Goremykin, his wife and his brother-in-law is reported in the Petrograd newspapers today. They are said to have been slain by robbers at the estate of the former

Goremykin was a conspicuous figure during the later years of the old regime in Russia. At the fall of Premier Witte during the political upheaval in 1908 M. Goremykin was called upon by Emperor Nicholas to form a government. After a stormy administration of less than three months he was removed. In February of 1914 he was again appointed premier, holding office until February ary of last year. After the revolution he was arrested and confined for a short time in the Fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul.

Day and Night as Long as Bitter Weather Lasts.

The "Billy" Sunday tabernacle became a place of refuge from the bitter cold today, when the big structure was thrown open to those who had no means

of keeping themselves warm. Chairman Chance of the local com nittee announced that the tabernacle heated today for the first time, will be available to any one who wants to

The tabernacle will be open day an night for this purpose as long as the cold weather lasts, Mr. Chance an-

Thousands May Find Comfort.

Thousands may be accommodated, there being a seating capacity for 10,000 persons. Those without homes or fuel may come to the tabernacle and feel "at home." Attendants will do all in their power to make those who come comfortable, it is stated.

Only one door, No. 36, on E street, will be open, and those seeking the warmth of the tabernacle should seek entrance by that door. The remaining twenty-three doors of the structure will not be opened.

to a Petrograd dispatch to the Times.

ST. LOUIS GETS HENDRICKS. Signs Contract to Manage National

Special Dispatch to The Star. ST. LOUIS, December 31.—Fresident Branch Rickey of the Cardinals today announced that John C. Hendricks, for four years manager to the Indianapolis American Association club, has signed a contract to manage the St. Louis Na-tional League team. Hendricks signed this morning following a conference with Rickey.

Synod Make Recommendation.

LINCOLN, Neb., December 31 .- At a meeting held at Seward, Neb., the paschester Guardian says it is the inten- tors and teachers of the German Luthion of the British government, when eran Church in Nebraska of the Misthe Austro-German terms of peace are souri synod adopted resolutions of loy-presented officially, to return a serious alty to the United States and recommended the cessation of German lan-Premier Lloyd George has arranged guage instruction in all parrochial to visit France, according to the news-paper, to confer with Premier Clemen-ceau on this subject. schools of the state, located here, will drop German language instruction to-morrow, and it is expected that other

New Year Issue

New Year day at I o'clock and delivered at once throughout the city. Classified advertising must

FROM COLD FOR MANY HUNS LOSE GROUND TAKEN AT CAMBRAI

British Regain Territory on Welsh Ridge, Capture Prisoners and Machine Guns.

ADVANCE

LONDON, December 31.-The British i successful counter attacks on the Cambrai front have regained the more important territory on Welsh ridge taken by the Germans in yesterday's attack, the war office

"On the Cambrai front as a result of suc-cessful orunter estachs in which we cap-tured prisoners and machine guns we regained the more important part of the enemy penetrated yesterday. The enemy still retains a portion of our front trench in the vicinity of La Vacquierie and south

"On the Ypres front by a minor operation last night our line was advanced a

"At dawn today the enemy made general powerful local attacks on a total front of over two miles against our position on the spur known as Welsh ridge, ass on the spur known as Weish ridge, south of Cambrai. In the center the enemy was repulsed, but on the right, to the north of La Vacquerie, and on the left, to the south of Marcoing, his troops succeeded in effecting a lodgment in two small salients in our lines. "Our counter attacks have ejected the enemy from a portion of these positions, and we have taken a number of prisoners. The fighting is continuing in both localities. ocalities.
"Early this morning hostile raiding

parties which attacked our positions in the neighborhood of Gonnelleu were repuised with loss.

"On the remainder of the front there was only the usual artillery activity on both sides." British Rout Five Hun Fliers. Five German airplanes were de-

troyed or put out of action Saturday by the British, who lost none of theirs. "Two hostile machines were brought down in our lines on Saturday," says an official statement given out here tonight. "A third was brought down in the enemy's lines. Two other hostile machines were driven down out of conrol. None of our airplanes is missing."

PARIS, December 31.—"Artillery actions occurred last night northwest of Rheims," the war office reports. "There were pairol encounters north of the Chemin des Dames (Aisne front) and near Bezonwaux (Verdun front).

Berlin Admits British Success BERLIN, December 31, via London.-The British have recovered part of their lost territory on the Cambrai front near La Vacquerie, the war office announces. The losses of the British are said to have been heavy.

PEACE PARLEY HOLDS UP FINNISH INDEPENDENCE

German Recognition, Chancellor Tells Senate, Depends on Russian Pact.

AMSTERDAM, December 31 .- A deleration from the Finnish senate has visited Berlin and been received by Count von Hertling, the imperial chancellor, whom they asked for recog-nition by Germany of the independence of Finland, says a Berlin dispatch to-

PRINCIPAL OBJECT OF TRAFFIC CHIEFS GRADES OF SCHOOLS

Director General McAdoo and Commissioners Have Decided Railroads' War Board Plan Immediate Action.

TAKE UP DEMAND OF MEN FOR AN INCREASE IN PAY

No Strike While Government Is Taking Control-President to Address Congress Thursday.

Immediate measures will be taken England and in New York, Director General McAdoo announced today. Orders, he said, will be issued before night giving to coal shipments preferential movement. Both the director general of railroads

William G. McAdoo, and the railroads' war board today devoted their principal District Commissioners have deattention to methods for obtaining the freer movement of coal.

coal shortage in various parts of the proximately \$300,000 with which of water routes, between Hampton roads to raise immediately the minimum and New England ports, is advocated by the railroad men as one method of re care of the immediate demands, made imperative by the extreme cold. New England Shortage Discussed.

The fuel shortage in New England was ence at Mr. McAdoo's office yesterday, which was attended by Dr. H. A. Garfield,

issioner Anderson, Walker D. Hines newly appointed assistant to the director

which engaged Mr. McAdoo's attention today. He was in conference with rep-resentatives of the Department of La-bor's mediation and conciliation divi-

ernment is taking hold of the railroad positions at salaries ranging \$900 to \$1,400. The increase sough Attack on Two-Mile Front.

There was heavy fighting yesterday south of Cambrai. The Germans made a strong attack on a front of about two forts at Kronstadt, the naval base near Petrograd, has been blown up by an extremely violent explosion, according to Field Marshal Haig's points, but later were ejected in part by British counter attacks. The text of the Rattacks of the four railway brother hoods, who conferred with President Wilson last week, were summoned to confer on Thursday with the director general regarding the relations between labor and the government railway.

Heads of the four railway brother which the make possible the placing of lower grade teachers in the upper grades, in which the minimum basic salary is \$800. If it is allowed by Congress it will take effect as of January I. In the Germans made a strong attack on a front of about two forts at Kronstadt, the naval base near report from headquarters. They succeeded in gaining a foothold at two points, but later were ejected in part by British counter attacks. The text of the comprehensive way the varied requests. for some time, most officials believe the government will soon take up in a comprehensive way the varied requests of labor for better pay, and make a general readjustment, which will increase wages slightly.

Oscar A. Price, appointed yesterday as secretary to the director general, assumed his duties today. He looked

assumed his duties today. He looked over the space allotted to Mr. McAdoo and his staff at the Interstate Commerce Commission building, and as soon as furniture can be installed the railroad director will have his headquarters there.
Plans to Break Traffic Jam.

C. C. McChord of the Interstate Commerce Commission has been assigned to the task of gathering reports on traffic conditions, with a view to working out a plan by which the tremendous traffic jam may be alleviated and future congestions avoided. Reports on transportation conditions are coming to him from all parts of the country.

By the end of the week Congress is expected to be well along in the task of framing legislation guaranteeing of framing legislation guaranteeing railroads compensation on the basis of pre-war earnings. President Wilson is expected to go before Congress Thurs-

Differences to Be Arbitrated.

The administration plan for dealing with railroads refusing to accept a government guarantee of average earning of the last three years, as proposed by the President, is to throw disputes into the hands of a board of three arbitralast night northwest of the name of a board of three arbitrations appointed by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

They would thresh out the questions of what would constitute fair earnings under the new conditions. In addition, any railroad would still have the constitutional right to take its case to a court

ourt.
It now seems probable that a gov It now seems probable that a government corporation will be formed to purchase equipment for leasing to roads, and to buy and sell securities issued by railroads. No specific authority. for this corporation will be given in the proposed legislation, however, all powers being delegated to the President, to be administered as he chooses. It is still undetermined what appropriation will be sought for the purchase of equipment, but the amount probably will be between \$100,000,000 and \$200,000,000.

INCENTIVE FOR PRODUCTION. New Wage Scale Also Means Big

Pay for Miners. MOUNT CARMEL, Pa., December 31.-The new wage scale for anthracite mine workers authorized by presidential proclamation has resulted in unprecedented production, and the highest wages in the history of the hard coal region.

MOVEMENT OF COAL TEACHERS' QUITTING THREATENS LOWER

to Ask Concress for Higher Minimum Salary.

\$800 ANNUALLY IS PAY TO BE SOUGHT FOR THEM

Request Is Incorporated in Million-Dollar Deficiency Bill-Other D. C. Needs.

Confronted by the possibility of

having to close some of the lower grades of the District's schools because of difficulty in obtaining teachers to replace those who have accepted positions with the government at higher salaries, the cided to go to Congress with an Immediate action is lanned to relieve the urgent deficiency estimate of appay of all teachers from \$600 to eving the shortage in that section. But \$800 per annum, and also increase coal is being rushed there via rail to take the wages of janitors and laborers. This is but one item in the largest deciency appropriation that will have stood, will be in the neighborhood of \$1,000,000. This is an increase of about \$750,000 over the largest previous

urgent deficiency estimate. While no intimation has been by the Commissioners of what is ingeneral; Edward Chambers, traffic director of the food administration, and J. J. Starrow, fuel administrator of New England.

The wages of railroad employes under federal control was the other question which engaged Mr. McAdoo's attention

lost 125 teachers. They have lost two-thirds of their laborers and more than two-thirds of their janliors. They have found it practically impossible to fill

bor's mediation and conciliation division.

Plans raising the pay of the rank and file of railway workers and reducing some of the very high salaries paid to executive omcials, were discussed. The board now has before it the pending demands for wage increases ranging and the salaries now obtaining and their minimum pay more than \$500. or \$650, with the 10 per cent increase allowed by Congress. As the teachers who have come time that the government was disposed to grant some increase, and the railroad men in turn have given their word they will not attempt a strike while the government is taking hold of the railroad are finding it more difficult every day to keep 'teachers at \$600, when they can obtain government positions at salaries ranging from \$2500. The increase sought will.

Quit in Large Numbers. Pay of laborers in the schools ranges from \$25 to \$40 a month and of janitors from \$65 to \$70. These employes have quit in large numbers to accept work at the more lucrative prices caused by the war. Unless Congress provides for an increase in the wages of such employes an already serious situation resulting from the wholesale resignations is expected to become steadily worse.

tions is expected to become steadily worse.

All District institutions have been hit hard by the war, and a big slice of the urgent deficiency estimate is to enable them to meet increased costs of fuel, food and other supplies. It is understood that approximately \$100,000 additional will be required for the maintenance of patients at the Government Hospital for the Insane, which recently put an increased rate into effect, and this deficiency the Commissioners are said to have provided for.

Water department finances also show a considerable deficiency requirement as a result of extensions to government buildings and other expenses due to the war, it is understood.

The deficiency budget has been sent to the Secretary of the Treasury, by whom it will be submitted to Congress.

U. S. FLIER KILLED. Falls While Making Loop During

Test Flight in Wind. PARIS, December 31.-An American aviator was killed yesterday while making a test flight at an aviation center before French and American pilots and observation aviators. Although the wind was blowing violently he rades with his last breath the observa-

GETS TEN YEARS IN PRISON. R. W. Franke, Jr., of St. Louis Fuil-

ed to Answer Draft Call. ST. LOUIS, December 81.-Robert Franke, jr., of St. Louis, who faffed to gonto Camp Funston when he was callthe selective draft, has been sentenced to ten years imprisonment in the military prison at Fort Leaven-Worth, Kan.
Franke was convicted by court-mar-tial. He said he was a consciention

Gen. Allenby Advances 3 Miles. LONDON, December 31 .- The forces nder Gen. Allenby in Palestine ha Miners Saturday received their first pay under the new scale, and in many with the appirations of the Finnish people, but that Germany's recognition of the independence of Finland depended upon an agreement in that respect being reached between Finland and the Russian government, with which Germany was at present negotiation.

Miners Saturday received their first pay under the new scale, and in many instances it ran as high as \$150 for the week's work, while some were said to have earned more than \$200 from pended upon an agreement in that respect being reached between Finland and the Russian government, with which Germany was at present negotiation of the line mounted troops advanced that the result of the line mounted troops advanced that the carry of the line mounted troops advanced that the carry of the line mounted troops advanced that the carry of the line mounted troops advanced that the carry of the line mounted troops advanced that the carry of the line mounted troops advanced that the carry of the line mounted troops advanced that the carry of the line mounted troops advanced that the carry of the line mounted troops advanced that the carry of the line mounted troops advanced that the carry of the line mounted troops advanced that the carry of the line mounted troops advanced that the carry of the line mounted troops advanced that the carry of the line mounted troops advanced that the carry of the line mounted troops advanced that the line man and line man and the line man and line man and the line man and line man an

seek national representation!

lack slurs the Washingtonian as unfit and defective, and slurs the nation as in this respect un-American and impotent. What the amendment proposes is equitable in itself and compulsory in accordance with American principles and traditions.

It gives to residents of the District rights and privileges which, under our scheme of government, belong to all who pay national taxes and fight as national soldiers.

It gives to residents of the District a self-protecting power in the national councils which is denied to the residents of no other community in all of the mainland and contiguous United States from Maine to Texas and from New York to California.

This status, this right, this privilege, this power is supremely beneficial and to be desired by the resident of the District.

National representation of the District.

National representation of the District will remove from the nation the shame of impotency and from Washingtonians the siur of unfitness.

shame of impotency and from Washingtonians the slur of unfitness.

It will proclaim to the world that the
great republic is as devoted to the principles of representative government
and as capable of enforcing them as
other republics with capitals in nationcontrolled districts, like Mexico, Brazil
and Argentina. These nations have not
found themselves impotent to give full
national representation to the people of
their capitals.

It will proclaim to the world that the
people of Washington are as fit to participate in national representative government as the people of Rio, Buenos
Aires and Mexico City. Washington will
cease to be the only capital in all the
world whose people, slurred as tainted
or defective, are unworthy to enjoy the
same national representation as those
enjoyed by all other cities of the nation.
Washington will cease to be the only

enjoyed by all other cities of the nation.

Washington will cease to be the only American community—numerous, intelligent, prosperous, public-spirited and patriotic—in all the expanse of continental and contiguous United States whose fitness to exercise national privileges as well as to bear national burdens is denied.

There is no resident of the capital who will not be benefited by national representation, no resident who will be injured by it, no resident who in enlightened self-interest should not enthusiastically favor it.

National representation will clethe the Washingtonian with a vital American privilege to which he is undeniably in equity entitled; will cleanse him of the stigms and stain of un-Americanism, and, curing his political imponency, will arm him with a certain power.

If will relieve the nation of the shame

convince itself of the fitness of fils constituency for national representation in quantity and quality of population, in intelligence, in public spirit, in Americanism and in material, taxable resources.

The party in power in Congress has traditionally examined closely the partisan complexion of the prospective constituency, and if convinced that the new senators and representatives would be hostile if immediately elected, has postponed to a more convenient season the admission of a territory to statehood, however strong the territory's showing of fitness in population and resources. The adoption of the pending

showing of fitness in population and resources. The adoption of the pending constitutional amendment will not deprive Congress of any of these powers and prerogatives. Congress will have the power in its discretion on any grounds, good or bad, partisan or otherwise, to postpone the date when it pronounces the District fit for this national representation.

The wording of our amendment thus disarms opposition based on partisan apprehension of disadvantage by feaving Congress a free hand in respect to the date of the admission of District residents to national representation

(To be continued.)

the Commissioners will acquaint Mr. McAdoo with the recommendations contained in the committee's report, which they took up at the board session to-

Lloyd George Arranges Visit to

LONDON, December 21 .- The Man-

The Austro-German peace terms referred to are those presented by the schools will adopt the same course representatives of the central powers at the negotiations with the Russians at Brest Litovsk. These negotiations were interrupted for ten days to give the day announced that the open hearings

premier at Scotchy, Transcaucasia. Goremykin was a conspicuous figure

Big Sunday Structure to Be Open

come in and stay.

extremely violent explosion, according British counter attacks. The text of the statement reads:

League Base Ball Team.

OPPOSE TEACHING GERMAN. Pastors and Teachers of Missouri

To Give Hearing in Philadelphia.

The Star will be issued

be at The Star office tomorrow before 10 o'clock for insertion in the New Year